

Please amend the present application as follows:

Specification

The following is a marked-up version of the specification with the language that is underlined ("____") being added and the language that contains strikethrough ("—") being deleted:

Page 6, line 18 through page 7, line 7.

In a testing situation, unintended interaction between the front end network service 104 and the supporting network services 106 may be avoided using the mock network services 108. For instance, a message handler of the front end network service 104 may be configured to redirect certain communications (i.e. requests) sent from the front end network service and directed to one or more of the supporting network services 106. In such a case, the message handler may comprise, or may be configured to access, a redirection table (or other data structure) that maps network addresses (e.g., universal resource locators (URLs)) of various supporting network services 106 to network addresses (e.g., URLs) of mock network services 108 that emulate the operation of those supporting network services. Examples of a message handler operating in this redirection capacity are described in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/615,547 entitled "Systems and Methods for Testing Network Services" and having attorney docket number 200208274-1, filed July 8, 2003, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety into this disclosure.